

## APPENDIX A

Notices of Allowability signed by Examiner Weber for the following issued U.S. patents are attached to Applicants' Response to Non-Final Office Action in this Appendix A.

1. U.S. Patent No. 6,849,711 (U.S. Application Serial No. 10/188,422)
2. U.S. Patent No. 6,846,299 (U.S. Application Serial No. 10/171,655)
3. U.S. Patent No. 6,838,431 (U.S. Application Serial No. 10/085,355)
4. U.S. Patent No. 6,821,752 (U.S. Application Serial No. 10/052,690)

**Notice of Allowability**

Application No.

10/188,422

Examiner

Chih-Min Kam

Applicant(s)

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2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 23,25,27,30,31 and 38-41.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 02 July 2002 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Brad Addison on September 27, 2004.

**Examiner's Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph after CROSS REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS at page 1 with the following paragraph:

This application is a divisional application of the U.S. national application Serial No. 09/446,966, filed December 29, 1999, now U.S. Patent 6,420,519, of the international application Serial No. PCT/US98/15244, filed July 21, 1998, which claims priority to U.S. provisional application Serial No. 60/053,301, filed July 21, 1997.

**Examiner's Amendments to the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 32 and 33.

Claims 31 and 40 have been amended as follows:

31. (Currently presented) The method of claim 23, wherein the hydroxy substituted amino acid is [an] a hydroxy substituted L-amino acid.

40. (Currently amended) The method of claim 38, wherein the polypeptide is selected from the group consisting of homopolymers[,] of threonine, serine, tyrosine, hydroxyproline, and 5-hydroxylysine.

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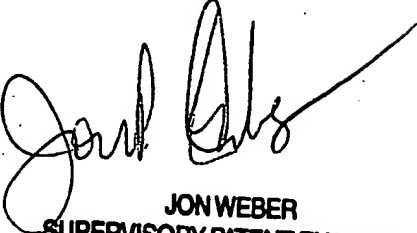
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Chih-Min Kam, Ph. D.  
Patent Examiner

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September 27, 2004



JON WEBER  
SUPERVISORY PATENT EXAMINER

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Application No.

10/171,655

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Chih-Min Kam

Applicant(s)

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Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Ronald Kubovcik on October 5, 2004.

**Examiner's Amendments to the Claims:**

Claim 7 has been amended as follows:

7. (Currently amended) A method for dialyzing a patient which comprises (a) placing a fluid pathway in a peritoneum of the patient, (b) infusing a peritoneal dialysis fluid comprising

- albumin in an amount of about 20 to about 250 g/L,
- sodium ions in an amount of about 130 to about 140 mEq/L,
- magnesium ions in an amount of about 0.5 to about 2.0 mEq/L,
- calcium ions in an amount of about 3.0 to about 4.5 mEq/L,
- chloride ions in an amount of about 95 to about 110 mEq/L, and
- lactate ions in an amount of about 35 to about 40 mEq/L

into a peritoneal cavity, (c) sequentially draining the peritoneal dialysis fluid out of the peritoneal cavity, (d) transferring said peritoneal dialysis fluid to [a] an extracorporeal dialyzer which consists of hollow fiber membranes, (e) cleansing the transferred peritoneal dialysis fluid in the dialyzer using a detergent solution and (f) reinfusing the cleansed peritoneal dialysis fluid into the peritoneum.

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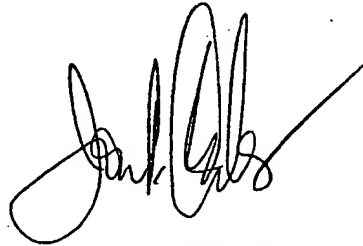
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Chih-Min Kam, Ph. D. *CMK*  
Patent Examiner

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October 5, 2004

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JON WEBER  
SUPERVISORY PATENT EXAMINER

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Application No.	Applicant(s)	
10/085,355	PORTMAN, ROBERT	
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Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with R. Hain Swope on August 16, 2004.

**Examiner's Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph at page 1, lines 6-8 with the following paragraph:

This is a continuation-in-part of Serial No. 09/624,922, filed July 25, 2000, abandoned, and Serial No. 09/626,207, filed July 26, 2000, abandoned, which is a continuation of provisional application Serial No. 60/145,892 filed on July 27, 1999.

**Examiner's Amendments to the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 4-7 and 14-21.

Claims 3, 11 and 13 have been amended as follows:

3. (Currently amended) The nutritional intervention composition in accordance with Claim 1, wherein said [source of proteinase inhibitor] extract of potato, soy or beans contains about 10 weight percent of said proteinase inhibitor.
4. (Canceled)
5. (Canceled)
6. (Canceled)
7. (Canceled)
11. (Currently amended) The nutritional intervention composition in accordance with Claim 1, further including a colorant component for imparting a characteristic color thereto comprising water soluble, natural or artificial dyes selected from the group consisting of blue, green, orange, red, violet, and yellow dyes; iron oxide dyes[,]; and ultramarine pigments of blue, pink, red, and violet.
13. (Currently amended) The nutritional intervention composition in accordance

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with Claim 12, [further characterized in that] wherein the calorie content thereof is about 80 calories.

- 14. (Canceled)
- 15. (Canceled)
- 16. (Canceled)
- 17. (Canceled)
- 18. (Canceled)
- 19. (Canceled)
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***Objection to the Drawings***

Fig.1 and Fig. 2 are objected to because of horizontal lines shown in the background.

Please submit the formal drawings.

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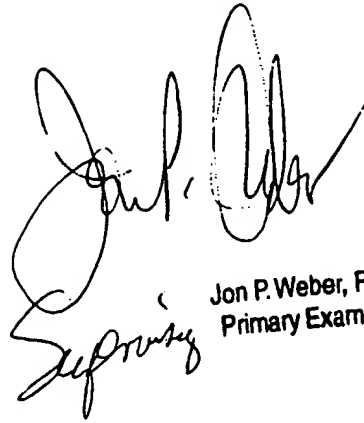
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Patent Examiner

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August 16, 2004

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Jon P. Weber, Ph.D.  
Primary Examiner

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10/052,690

Examiner

Abdel A. Mohamed

Applicant(s)

SHEPPARD, SCOT R.

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In the claims:

Claims 1, 11, 13 and 14, line 2, before "cells" insert —host—(in each occurrence).

Claim 2, line 3, delete—Tributylphosphate,—.

Claim 12, line 1, change "12" to—11—.

Claims 15 and 16, line 1, before, "cells" insert —host—(in each occurrence).

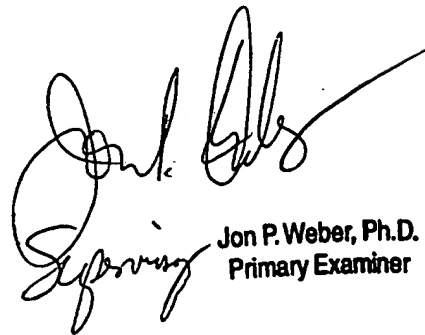
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308-3966. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The examiner can also be reached on alternate Fridays

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Primary Examiner

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